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As a software engineer I am intimately familiar with the technical issues of computer and internet security. Internet security is already far too weak, allowing hackers access to sensitive personal information which has led directly to the new widespread crime of identity theft, which is a very serious problem that has destroyed many people's lives.

Further weakening internet security by requiring loopholes and so-called "back doors" for the purposes of allowing law enforcement to spy on the internet will further widen the cracks in the already deficient internet security systems so that hackers will have even easier access to sensitive and private personal information. In turn, no credit card number exchanged on the internet would be safe from eavesdropping hackers, and internet commerce would be utterly destroyed.

What you have to understand is that a network computer miles away does not have the ability to physically look at a law enforcement officer's badge to confirm his authority. The officer must transmit electronic credentials through the network to tell that computer that he is authorized to listen in on communications. If such a system is implemented, then hackers will find it easy to masquerade as law enforcement officials and trick these network computers and communication systems into believing that the hackers are in fact authorized to listen in on all communications, thus handing every internet user's credit card number over to the hackers on a silver platter.

If such measures are taken, then internet commerce will become a thing of the past, and very possibly the internet in general will suffer and lose out. Businesses will close. Websites will shut down. The internet will lose users en masse.

The internet has been a major boon in cultural exchange in which people of all ages from all nations all around the world join together and communicate with each other, often about nothing all that important, but with an unspoken subtext that we are all the same, all one people and one race of Human Beings with a common bond and a common kind of life. It has been the greatest boon to intercultural understanding and world peace since the invention of the telephone or the airplane, and to destroy the ability to do commerce on the internet would risk throwing away the rest of the cultural exchange that goes on there. Nothing is worth that, not even the war on terror.

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This looming damage to the Internet is a far greater threat to our freedom and our security than any slight law enforcement advantage that the DOJ proposal purports to provide.

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Please uphold your oath to defend the Constitution of the United States.

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As a concerned individual, I am writing to express my opposition to the Department of Justice's request that all new Internet communication services be required to have built-in wiretapping access.

I do not believe this requirement is necessary. Longstanding laws already require Internet Service Providers and Internet telephone companies to allow the FBI to conduct surveillance. The FBI is going far beyond these existing powers by trying to force the industry to actually build its systems around government eavesdropping. It is the equivalent of the government requiring all new homes be built with a peephole for law enforcement to look through.

I am very concerned that this requirement represents an end-run around Congress. Lawmakers, after extensive deliberations, set up boundaries for how the FBI can collect information between sources like phone companies and data sources like e-mail. The FBI's aggressive and expansive reading of the law would bypass the legislative process to alter that careful balance.

I understand that by requiring a master key to our personal communications, the government is creating the very real potential for hackers and thieves or even rogue government agents to access our personal communications. Past efforts to provide this sort of backdoor access have not been successful and only created a rich opportunity for hackers.

Once again, I urge you to oppose the dangerous suggestion of the Department of Justice that our new Internet communication technologies should have built-in wiretapping.

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